Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 29 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 30 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 28 Dec 2023 at 15:36

Confidence: High for unsettled and often windy conditions through this period. Lower for rain or snow details and freezing levels.

Headline for Friday 29 Dec 2023: Cold and windy with a few showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 29 Dec 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Sleet showers	Sleet showers (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	30%	30%	60%	60%	60%	30%

Forecast for Friday 29 Dec 2023

Weather: Mainly dry with clear spells overnight then a bright morning with just the odd shower, wintry on the tops. Becoming cloudy with showers developing more widely from about midday, these will fall as sleet or snow above 600m, with the odd heavy and thundery one possible. Showers will then slowly die out during the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 70% in morning becoming 40% in afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Mainly good visibility in the morning with patchy summit cloud then areas of cloud and fog develop above 600 or 700m in the afternoon. Away from cloud, mainly good visibility but occasionally poor in showers and down to a few hundred metres in snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	26/35 W	25/34 W	21/30 SW	21/29 W	22/30 W	22/32 W	21/30 W	19/27 W	18/28 W
300	18/37 W	14/31 W	12/27 SW	12/26 W	14/27 W	14/29 W	12/26 W	11/23 W	10/22 SW
Valley	16/36 W	12/29 W	10/25 W	11/25 W	12/27 W	12/27 W	12/26 W	10/22 W	9/20 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	4/-2	4/-2	3/-2	4/-2	4/-2	3/-3	2/-4	2/-4	2/-4
300	6/2	6/2	6/2	6/2	6/2	6/2	4/0	4/-0	3/-0
Valley	7/3	7/3	6/3	6/3	7/4	6/3	5/1	4/1	4/1
Freezing Level*	1100m	1000m	1000m	1100m	1000m	900m	800m	700m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A cold day on the tops with strong westerly winds, gusts 40 to 50mph at times above 600m.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
15:00 on Thu 28 Dec 2023	19.8mm	66.8mm	71mm

Forecast for Saturday 30 Dec 2023

Weather: Dry start to the night with a touch of frost. Outbreaks of rain, with a brief spell of sleet or snow above 700m, will soon spread in from the southwest by morning. Rain turning heavy for a while around the middle of the day, with strong winds and drenching conditions, then clearing east early in the afternoon followed by blustery showers, turning snow above 600m.

Maximum wind: South or southwest 20mph gusts 30mph increasing 40 to 50mph gusts 70mph, easing slightly in afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 90% overnight but becoming 20% or less by dawn.

Low cloud and visibility: Visibility quickly deteriorating by dawn as rain arrives, becoming very poor with extensive cloud above 500m. Cloud lifting and breaking in the afternoon but some patches down to 500m in showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 2C rising to 8C.
At 600m: Plus 2C rising to Plus 5C during morning, then Plus 2C later.
Freezing level: 700m rising above summits for a time, then 800m later.

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